REMARKS

Claims 1-14 and 16-26 were previously pending in this patent application.

Claim 15 has previously been canceled. Claims 1-14 and 16-26 stand rejected.

Herein, Claims 1, 7, 8, 9, and 19 have been amended. Accordingly, after this

Amendment and Response, Claims 1-14 and 16-26 remain pending in this

patent application. Further examination and reconsideration in view of the

claims, remarks and arguments set forth below is respectfully requested.

35 U.S.C. Section 112, Second Paragraph, Rejections

Claims 1-14 and 16-26 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. Section 112, Second Paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Herein, Claims 1, 7, 8, 9, and 19 have been amended to correct the claim recitations that prompted the rejections under 35 U.S.C. Section 112, Second Paragraph.

Allowable Subject Matter

It was stated in the Office Action that Claims 1-26 would be allowable if rewritten to overcome the rejections under 35 U.S.C. Section 112, Second Paragraph. Herein, the amendments to Claims 1-26 overcome the rejections under 35 U.S.C. Section 112, Second Paragraph. Therefore, Claims 1-26 are allowable.

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CONCLUSION

It is respectfully submitted that the above claims, remarks, and arguments overcome all rejections. All remaining claims (Claims 1-14 and 16-26) are neither anticipated nor obvious in view of the cited references. For at least the above-presented reasons, it is respectfully submitted that all remaining claims (Claims 1-14 and 16-26) are in condition for allowance.

The Examiner is urged to contact Applicant's undersigned representative if the Examiner believes such action would expedite resolution of the present Application.

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